## § 654.13 Determination of areas of substantial unemployment.

An area of substantial unemployment, for purposes of Executive Order 10582, shall be any area classified as a labor surplus area at §654.5 of this part pursuant to the procedures set forth at subpart A of this part.

#### §654.14 Filing of complaints.

Complaints arising under subpart B of this part alleging that the Department of Labor has violated the labor surplus area regulations shall be made pursuant to the procedures set forth at §654.9 of this part.

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#### Subparts C-D [Reserved]

### Subpart E—Housing for Agricultural Workers

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PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY

### §654.400 Scope and purpose.

(a) This subpart sets forth the Employment and Training Administration standards for agricultural housing. Local Job Service offices, as part of the State employment service agencies and in cooperation with the United States Employment Service, assist employers in recruiting agricultural workers from places outside the area of intended employment. The experiences of the employment service indicate that employees so referred have on many occasions been provided with inadequate, unsafe, and unsanitary housing conditions. To discourage this practice, it is the policy of the Federal-State employment service system, as set forth in §653.108 of this chapter, to deny its intrastate and interstate recruitment services to employers until the State employment service agency has ascertained that the employer's housing meets certain standards.

(b) To implement this policy, §653.108 of this chapter provides that recruitment services shall be denied unless the employer has signed an assurance,

a preoccupancy inspection has been conducted and the ES staff has ascertained that, with respect to intrastate clearance, if the workers are to be housed, the employer's housing meets or, with respect to interstate clearance, that the employer will provide housing for the workers which meets either the full set of standards set forth at 29 CFR 1910.142 or the full set of standards set forth in this subpart. Whichever is applicable under the criteria set forth in §654.401; except that for mobile range housing for sheepherders, the housing shall meet existing Departmental guidelines.

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# § 654.401 Applicability; transitional provisions.

(a) Employers whose housing was constructed in accordance with the ETA housing standards may continue to follow the full set of ETA standards set forth in this subpart only where prior to April 3, 1980 the housing was completed or under construction, or where prior to March 4, 1980 a contract for the construction of the specific housing was signed.

(b) To effectuate these transitional provisions, agricultural housing to which this subpart applies and which complies with the full set of standards set forth in this subpart shall be considered to be in compliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration temporary labor camp standards at 29 CFR 1910.142.

#### §654.402 Variances.

(a) An employer may apply for a permanent, structural variance from a specific standard(s) in this subpart by filing a written application for such a variance with the local Job Service office serving the area in which the housing is located. This application must be filed by June 2, 1980 and must:

- (1) Clearly specify the standard(s) from which the variance is desired;
- (2) Provide adequate justification that the variance is necessary to obtain a beneficial use of an existing facility, and to prevent a practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship; and
- (3) Clearly set forth the specific alternative measures which the employer